



GOST R Certificate of Conformity

Getting access for your products on the Russian market

BUSINESS CHALLENGE

Russia and its regions offer many big opportunities for foreign companies. To access all this potential, foreign companies need to follow certain rules. Since 1993, the majority of imported products and equipment must be inspected to show that they comply with Russian standards. GOST R certification is one of the most common mandatory certificates. It was introduced to protect the health and safety of Russia's population. In this complex and constantly changing regulation environment, it pays to have the right advice and assistance.



SOLUTION

What is GOST R certification?

GOST is the Russian word for "norm", and R stands for Russia. For most products, certification is needed if you wish to sell them in Russia. The main products concerned are materials in contact with food and human beings; industrial equipment for food, chemical, oil & gas, construction and other industries; mechanical and electrical goods. Also concerned are consumer products such as foodstuffs, textiles and clothes, cosmetics and perfumery, domestic goods and toys. The certificate can be valid for a one-time-only shipment or for a period of 1 or 3 years.

What are the key benefits?

- Prove compliance of products with Russian norms
- Get access to the Russian market
- Allow you to advertise your products
- Help you to obtain other required certificates
- Facilitate and simplify customs procedures
- Reinforce security of goods (minimize chances of shipments disappearing or being stopped by customs)
- Allow you to get new market with certified production

WHY CHOOSE BUREAU VERITAS?

Reputation ■ One of the world's leading providers of import control and inspection services, established in 1828. First office in Russia opened in 1858.

Our network ■ Our global presence offers you the convenience of international expertise combined with local service where you need it.

Local expertise ■ Bureau Veritas has a perfect understanding of the regulations, market, stakes and correct official channels. We enjoy close cooperation with certification bodies accredited by Gospozhnadzor. We also offer technical excellence in many disciplines.

Personalized service ■ Bureau Veritas adapts its services to your needs. We help you identify your legal obligations and assist you at every step until you obtain the right certificate. We offer a single point of contact for all your certification needs.

Recognition ■ Recognized by the Russian government, internationally recognized for ISO 9001:2000 certification and an active member of IFIA (International Federation of Inspection Agencies). The inspection activity of the Government Services & International Trade Division is accredited ISO 17020.

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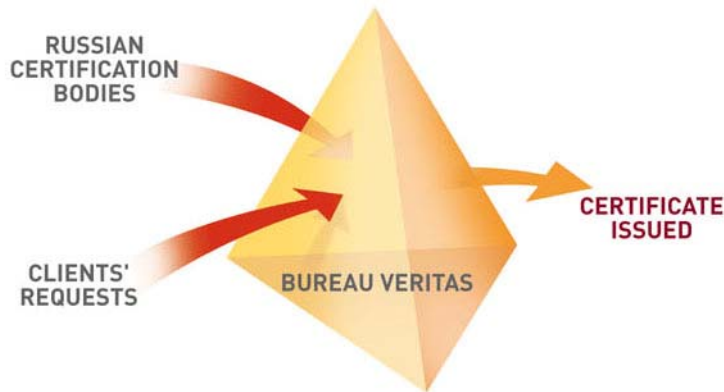
In addition to the Gost R Certificate, Bureau Veritas can help you obtain other certificates or formalities that are required for certain products.

- Sanitary-Epidemiological Conclusion (Hygiene Certificate)
- RTN Permission
- Fire safety Certificate
- Rosstroy Certificate
- Pattern Approval
- Certification of Explosion-Proof Electrical Equipment
- Release Letter for Gost R, hygiene & fire safety



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OUR APPROACH

A typical certification service can include the following steps:

- Analysis of your needs / Diagnosis of the situation
- Cost estimate for certification or project
- Review documents (audits, analysis of documents, translation of documents)
- Perform tests and analyses if necessary
- Advice for design of labels and inspecting of models
- Company audits (if required, 3 years certification)
- Certificate issued
- Certified copies issuance

Most products that require mandatory GOST R certification need to be labeled in the Russian language. The certified product must be marked with the registered GOST R sign (or Mark of Conformity).

This clearly demonstrates that the product complies with the applicable Russian standards. The Mark consists of a logo representing the GOST R certification system (see below) combined with the Certification Body registration number (2 letters and 2 numbers) printed below logotype.



FAQ

Are all products concerned?

Not all goods need a GOST R certificate; some are exempt. Our local Russian experts can advise you on which of your products need it. They can also help you to obtain the necessary certificates in a minimum of time.

What happens if my products are exempt?

Even if the product to be imported is not subject to mandatory GOST R certification, an importer or exporter can present a GOST R Release Letter to prove that this product type does not require mandatory GOST R certification. This formal confirmation may be requested by Russian customs authorities during customs clearance. It can also be used as a powerful marketing tool, because it independently confirms the quality or technical standard of your product.

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